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RECENT RECORDING TELEPHONE LOG. ADVISE HILLS DEPARTURE DATE, METHOD OF  
TRAVEL, AND FURNISH LATENT COMPLETE DESCRIPTION OF HILL AS SOON AS  
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January 3, 1947

To: **Chief Attorney  
Mexico, D.F.**

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From: **John Edgar Hoover - Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation**

Subject: **HELEN HILL  
MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION CONCERNING  
HILL SURVEY**

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The Salt Lake City Division has advised that on December 28, 1946 **bx**  
Virginia Hill, nee of Benjamin "Bugs" Siegal and who is presently re-  
siding with Siegal at the Fort Prater Hotel, Las Vegas, Nevada, telephonically  
advised [redacted] Hill advised  
[redacted] and she would arrive in Mexico City for a visit on January 25,  
1947 and requested [redacted] to turn over his apartment in Mexico City to her.  
Hill did not discuss the purpose of her trip to Mexico but it was ascertained  
that Siegal does not plan to go to Mexico City with her.

[redacted] **b**

As you have previously been advised, the Bureau is conducting a  
vigorous investigation with respect to alleged criminal activities on the part  
of Siegal and Hill. It is of particular importance to ascertain the sources  
of Siegal's and Hill's income.

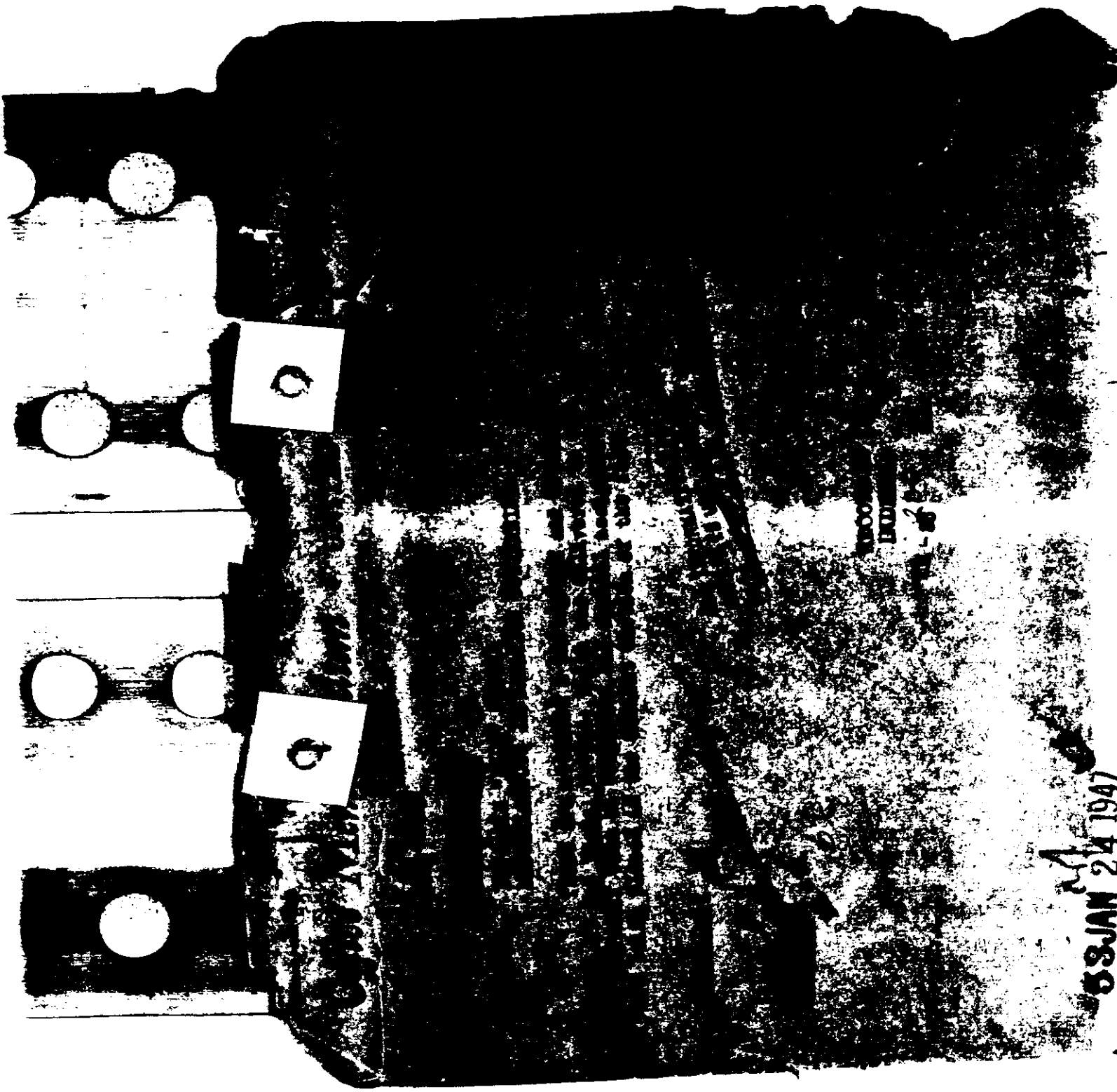
It is desired that a discreet and complete coverage of Hill's **A**  
activities and contacts be made by you while she is in Mexico City. At present  
the date of her departure and the method of travel are not known but such will  
be furnished to you by telegram as soon as available.

It is noted that you saw in [redacted] a photograph of Virginia  
Hill, the same having been furnished to you by letter of [redacted] 11, 1946  
[redacted] Virginia Hill, nee. Virginia Hill, Miscellaneous Information Concerning.

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BENJAMIN BUGS SIEGEL, WAS, MISC. INFO CONCERNING, CRIME SURVEY  
REMYTEL JAN THREE RESPECTING INFO FROM [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] THAT T. A. NEWS SERVICE GETTING RACE INFO FROM SANTA ANITA  
RACE TRACK VIA SHORT WAVE RADIO TO RECEIVING SET LOCATED IN RESIDENCE  
IN ARCADIA. HYPOTHETICAL CASE WAS PRESENTED TO FCC TO DETERMINE  
VIOLATION WAS INVOLVED. FCC APPARENTLY DO NOT INVESTIGATE SUCH  
CASES. IF SO, HAVE NEVER HAD A CONVICTION LOCALLY BUT MERELY CON-  
FISCATE EQUIPMENT SO USED. OUR INFORMANTS HAVE BEEN UNABLE TO SUB-  
STANTIATE [REDACTED] INFO. [REDACTED]

DEPT OF JUSTICE  
FOUR FIVE TWO AND FOUR SIX FOUR HUNTINGTON DRIVE, ARCADIA AND BROKE  
UP BOOKMAKING SYNDICATE IN ONE HOUSE AND CONFISCATED TELESCOPES  
FOCUSSED ON GRANDSTAND AT RACE TRACK IN OTHER HOUSE. SATURDAY  
[REDACTED] HAD LOCATED [REDACTED] IN THE  
GRANDSTAND OBVIOUSLY SIGNALING AND HE ADMITTED THAT HE WORKS FOR [REDACTED]

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WIRE SERVICE BUT HE WOULD NOT NAME IT. HE WAS FLOATED OFF THE  
TRACK ~~SATURDAY~~ SATURDAY. TODAY THEY LOCATED [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] IN THE GRANDSTANDS, ALSO OBVIOUSLY SIGNALING  
HE WAS PLACED UNDER ARREST [REDACTED] THEN THE HOUSES WERE RAISED  
AND [REDACTED] WERE  
TAKEN INTO CUSTODY AND [REDACTED] CHARGED WITH CONSPIRACY TO VIOLATE  
THE BOOKMAKING LAWS. [REDACTED] THESE MEN REPRESENT THE T.A.  
NEWS SERVICE. BUREAU REQUESTED TO ADVISE WHETHER IT DESIRES THIS  
OFFICE TO MAKE AN INVESTIGATION OF THE ALLEGED VIOLATION OF THE FCC  
LAWS, IN VIEW OF THESE DEVELOPMENTS OR WHETHER INFO AS FURNISHED BY  
INFORMANTS SHOULD BE RELAYED TO FCC.

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FROM LOS ANGELES 12-27-57

DIRECTOR BUREAU

BENJAMIN QUOTE BUGS UNQUOTE SIEGEL, INFO CONCERNING, ETC., CRIME

SURVEY, REDUREAN TEL DEC ELEVEN LAST, SIEGEL IN LA DEC, EIGHTHED TO

SEE JIMMY DURANTE RE BUREAU LATTERS APPEARANCE IN FLOR SHOW AT

OPENING OF FLAMINGO HOTEL, LAS VEGAS, DEC TWENTYSIX. LANA TURNER

JIMMY DURANTE, & FRANK SINATRA, AMONG OTHER CELEBRITIES BELIEVED TO BE  
ATTENDING FLAMINGO OPENING.

[REDACTED]

CONTINUE TO ATTEMPT TO LINE UP LOCAL BOOKMAKERS

FOR TRANSAMERICAN NEWS SERVICE.

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FBI SALT LAKE CITY 11-45 AM MST 1-10-47 MMH  
DIRECTOR AND SACS, LOS ANGELES, CHICAGO, NEW YORK ...URGENT...  
BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL, MISC, INFO. CONCERNING, CRIME SURVEY  
SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES FOR WEEK ENDING TENTH INSTANT. SIEGEL ADVISED  
[REDACTED] THAT HE IS MAKING ARRANGEMENTS  
TO OBTAIN TRANS-AMERICAN WIRE SERVICE FOR [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] STATED [REDACTED] LOS ANGELES, COMPLAINED  
TO SIEGEL EIGHTH INSTANT THAT REPRESENTATIVES OF CONTINENTAL PRESS  
LOCATED RESIDENCE NEAR SANTA ANITA RACE TRACK BEING USED BY TA TRACK  
CREW AND IS NEGOTIATING WITH OWNER OF HOUSE TO OUST TA CREW AND RENT  
PREMISES TO CP. VIRGINIA HILL RETURNED TO LAS VEGAS, NEVADA EIGHT  
INSTANT. HILL STATED SHE HAS NEW HOME AT EIGHT TEN NORTH LINDEN DRIVE,  
BEVERLY HILLS, CALIFORNIA. SIEGEL AND HILL PLAN TO LEAVE LAS VEGAS  
ELEVENTH OR TWELFTH INSTANT FOR LOS ANGELES BEFORE SIEGEL GOES TO NEW  
YORK. SIEGEL CONTACTED FORMER WIFE, ESTHER SIEGEL, AT EIGHT EIGHT CENT  
PARK WEST, NEW YORK CITY, NINTH INSTANT AND TOLD ESTHER HE  
WOULD ARRIVE IN NEW YORK FOURTEENTH INSTANT FOR VISIT OF ONE WEEK.

SIEGEL DID NOT DISCLOSE HIS PLANS AFTER THAT. SIEGEL INSTRUCTED  
[REDACTED] TO OBTAIN SPACE FOR SIEGEL ON TWA CONSTELLATION  
LATE FLIGHT FROM LOS ANGELES TO NEW YORK THIRTEENTH INSTANT. VIRGINIA

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ALL-S REPORTS PLANS FOR MEXICO CITY OR CHICAGO NOT YET KNOWN.  
FLAMINGO HOTEL CONTINUES TO LOSE MONEY. SIEGEL COMPLAINS OF "HEAVY"  
GAMBLING LOSSES IN FLAMINGO CASINO.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] SIEGEL <sup>HAS</sup> EMPLOYED [REDACTED]

AS GENERAL MANAGER OF FLAMINGO HOTEL. IDENTITY [REDACTED] NOT KNOWN  
AT LAS VEGAS. LOS ANGELES ATTEMPT TO IDENTIFY [REDACTED] AND ASCERTAIN  
REPUTATION.

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As the Bureau is aware,

both are former Bureau Agents.

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Re: BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL

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[REDACTED] learned [REDACTED] that all books in Nevada are controlled by the wire service and that the wire service is controlled by BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL.

[REDACTED] expressed some concern over the allegation [REDACTED] that the Hocking Board was fixed. The reason is that he knows that SIEGEL and GEORGE TRAFLET are very close and that [REDACTED]

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BENJAMIN BUGS SIEGEL, MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION CONCERNING, CRIME  
SURVEY. RETEL FROM SALT LAKE CITY DECEMBER TWENTY-SIX AND BUREAU  
TELETYPE JANUARY TWO, NINETEEN FORTY-SEVEN. NO HOLLYWOOD NEWS PUBLISHED  
HOLLYWOOD, FLA. TWO WEEKLY PAPERS PUBLISHED THERE, ONE BEING  
THE ~~HOLLYWOOD~~ HERALD [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AND THE OTHER IS THE ~~SUN~~ TATTLER [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] HAS BEEN PROMINENTLY MENTIONED AS

A POWER IN THE LOCAL GAMBLING SITUATION IN BROWARD COUNTY. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

FOR YOUR INFORMATION, [REDACTED] THE HOLLYWOOD NEWS SERVICE IS THE LOCAL  
RETAILER OF RACE TRACK NEWS AND IS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] REFERENCE TELETYPE FROM SALT LAKE CITY,

JANUARY THREE, NINETEEN FORTY-SEVEN, GAMBLING ACTIVITIES IN BROWARD  
COUNTY HAVE CONTINUED UNINTERRUPTED. DADE COUNTY GAMBLING ACTIVITIES  
HAVE NOT YET GOTTEN UNDERWAY, [REDACTED] ARE BELIEVED TO BE IN PROCESS OF

OPENING.

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DEED FILED MARCH FOURTEEN

UNITED AS TEN DOLLARS, AND OTHER

STAMPS SHOW AMOUNT PAID WAS

FOURTYNINE DOLLARS AND

ADDRESS OF VIRGINIA HILL ON THE

ONE NAUGHTY NATION BORN

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BEING MADE TO DETERMINE PRESENT OCCUPANTS

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BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL, MISCELLANEOUS, INFORMATION CONCERNING,  
CRIME SURVEY. REFERENCE BUREAU TELETYPE FROM SALT LAKE CITY,  
DECEMBER TWENTY, FORTY SIX.

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DIRECTOR AND SAC LOS ANGELES

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BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL, MISC. INFO. CONCERNING. CRIME SURVEY. REB  
TELS SIXTEENTH AND TWENTYTHIRD INSTANT.

[REDACTED]

CLARK COUNTY NEVADA ORDINANCE REQUIRES REGISTRATION WITH  
SO OF ALL FIREARMS, SHOOT GUNS AND RIFLES IN POSSESSION OF ANYONE IN  
COUNTY. REGISTRATION TO BE COMPLETED BY JANUARY FIRST NEXT

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HAS DEPUTIZED AS SPECIAL DEPUTY SHERIFFS ENTITLED TO CARRY FIREARMS  
[REDACTED] AS DIRECTOR OF PLANT PROTECTION AT FLAMINGO HOTEL AND SEVERAL SPECIAL POLICE OFFICERS AS ASSISTANTS  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] THIS MATTER WILL BE FOLLOWED CLOSELY AND AS SOON AS SOME DEFINITE INFORMATION RE SERIAL NUMBERS IS OBTAINED, INTERESTED OFFICES WILL BE REQUESTED TO MAKE APPROPRIATE CHECKS. b7D

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THIS CONSTITUTES WEEKLY SUMMARY FROM JAN THIRDO TO JAN. TEN

SIEGEL'S LIEUTENANT LA, BUSILY OCCUPIED RE PUB-  
LICITY FLAMINGO CASINO AND RACE TRACK SERVICE IN LA. [REDACTED] CON-

TACTED [REDACTED] BEHALF OF SIEGEL RE MOTION PICTURE ON  
FLAMINGO CASINO. [REDACTED] ASSURED [REDACTED] HE WOULD GIVE "THEM

ONE MILLION PER CENT" COOPERATION. [REDACTED] TELLS [REDACTED]

PART OWNER OF FLAMINGO CASINO, "PEOPLE [REDACTED] COMPLAIN ABOUT  
CASINO BEING FILED WITH A BUNCH OF TIGHT LIPPED GUNMEN".

[REDACTED] SAYS "BOYS ARE NERVOUS AND JITTERY". BOTH STATE SIEGEL  
INSULTING LOCAL LAS VEGAS PEOPLE. VIRGINIA HILL TELLS [REDACTED]

SHE DOES NOT LIKE LAS VEGAS AND MUST GO TO FLORIDA. STATES ON  
JAN. SEVEN LAST THAT SHE WAS RETURNING TO LAS VEGAS FOLLOWING

DAY AND TO RETURN TO LA ON SATURDAY, THEN TO PROCEED TO NEW YORK.  
STATED [REDACTED] WAS ALSO LEAVING FOR NYC. HILL AND [REDACTED] DISCUSS

SIEGELS BEING UPSET OVER [REDACTED] FEAR HE MIGHT "SLAP HIS  
SUIT ON THE PLACE". HILL ADVISES SHE IS MOVING IN A [REDACTED] HOUSE

OFF SUNSET. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

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SERVICE. [REDACTED]  
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RETEL BENJAMIN QUOTE BOSS UNQUOTE SINGEL, WAS., VIDEO., INFORMATION CONCERNING,  
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DIRECTOR AND SACS LOS ANGELES AND NEW YORK URGENT

BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL, MISC., INFO. CON., CRIME SURVEY. REBUTED  
INSTANT REQUESTING ADVICE VIRGINIA HILLS DEPARTURE DATE, METHOD OF TRAVEL  
AND LATEST COMPLETE DESCRIPTION. HILL STILL IN LOS ANGELES. EFFORTS  
MADE TO OBTAIN REQUESTED DATA AT LAS VEGAS, BUT INFORMATION UNAVAILABLE

LOS ANGELES REQUESTED TO ATTEMPT TO OBTAIN REQUESTED  
DATA FOR BUREAU AND FURNISH COMPLETE LATEST DESCRIPTION. AS CAUTION ON  
HILLS DESCRIPTION, ATTENTION OF BUREAU CALLED TO FACT HILL FREQUENTLY  
DYES HAIR AND CHANGES HAIR STYLE.

DURING  
FIRST FOUR OPENING NIGHTS OF FLAMINGO HOTEL, DECEMBER TWENTYSIXTH TO  
TWENTYNINTH, HILLS HAIR WAS PLATINUM BLONDE WITH UPSWEPT HAIRDO FIRST  
NIGHT, JET BLACK WITH LONG BOB SECOND NIGHT, AND RED WITH LONG

FOURTH NIGHT. IF INFORMATION AS TO DEPARTURE PLANS OF HILL  
BECOME AVAILABLE TO THIS OFFICE, IT WILL BE IMMEDIATELY FURNISHED TO  
BUREAU AND LOS ANGELES.

ADVISED JANUARY EIGHTH THAT  
SIEGEL REQUESTED LOS ANGELES TO MAKE RESERVATION ON LAKE  
T. W. A. CONSTELLATION FLIGHT LOS ANGELES TO NEW YORK CITY JANUARY THIR-  
TEENTH.

SIEGELS PLANS FOR GOING TO MIAMI FROM NEW YORK AND DURATION OF STAY IN

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NEW YORK UNKNOWN. UNLESS BUREAU ADVISES TO CONTRARY, NEW YORK ARRANGE  
TO COVER SIEGELS CONTACTS AND ACTIVITIES IN NEW YORK. LOS ANGELES  
ADVISE NEW YORK SIEGELS LOS ANGELES DEPARTURE TIME AND FLIGHT NUMBER.

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BENJAMIN QUOTE BUREAU UNQUOTE SIEGEL, MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION CONCERNING, CHINE  
SURVEY. REFERENCE SALT LAKE CITY TEL OF JANUARY NINE LAST ADVISING OF SIEGEL'S  
CONTINGENT DEPARTURE FROM LOS ANGELES TO NEW YORK. NEW YORK DISREGARD REQUEST  
TO COVER SIEGEL'S ACTIVITIES.

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FBI SALT LAKE CITY 5:50 PM RD  
DIRECTOR FBI URGENT

BENJAMIN QUOTE BUGS QUOTE SIEGEL, MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION CON-  
CERNING, CRIME SURVEY. TECHNICAL SURVEILLANCE ON LONG DISTANCE  
LINES 1, 2, 3 AND 4, LAS VEGAS TURF CLUB, PHONE NUMBER LAS VEGAS  
7070 HAVE BEEN NON PRODUCTIVE. SIEGEL SPENDS ENTIRE TIME WHILE IN  
LAS VEGAS AT FLAMINGO HOTEL AND AT HIS ROOM AT HOTEL LAST FRONTIER.  
BUREAU AUTHORITY IS REQUESTED TO DISCONTINUE TECHNICAL SURVEILLANCE  
ON LAS VEGAS TURF CLUB, LONG DISTANCE LINES 1, 2, 3 AND 4, AND  
AUTHORITY IS REQUESTED FOR TECHNICAL SURVEILLANCE FLAMINGO HOTEL  
TWO LOCAL LINES, TELEPHONE NUMBERS LAS VEGAS 4000 AND 4001, AND TWO  
FLAMINGO HOTEL LONG DISTANCE LINES NUMBER 1 AND 2. IF BUREAU  
AUTHORITY TO BE GRANTED SUGGESTED SYMBOL NUMBERS FOR FLAMINGO  
HOTEL LINES 1 AND 2 ARE \_\_\_\_\_ RESPECTIVELY. SUGGEST-  
ED SYMBOL NUMBERS FOR FLAMINGO HOTEL LOCAL LINES NUMBERED 4000 AND  
4001 ARE \_\_\_\_\_ RESPECTIVELY.

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cc Mr. Rosen

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BENJAMIN QUOTE BOB UNQUOTE SIEGEL, MISC INFORMATION CONCERNING, CRIME SURVEY.  
REURTEL [REDACTED] REQUESTING DISCONTINUANCE TECHNICAL SURVEILLANCE  
LAS VEGAS TURF CLUB AND REQUESTING TECHNICAL SURVEILLANCE FLAMINGO HOTEL FOR  
TWO LOCAL AND TWO LONG DISTANCE LINES. BUREAU AUTHORITY GRANTED DISCONTINUE  
TECHNICAL SURVEILLANCE LAS VEGAS CLUB LONG DISTANCE LINES ONE, TWO, THREE  
AND FOUR. ADVISE TIME AND DATE OF DISCONTINUANCE. CONCERNING REQUEST FOR  
TECHNICAL SURVEILLANCE FLAMINGO HOTEL WHICH HOTEL OWNED AND CONTROLLED BY  
SIEGEL AND ASSOCIATES, IT IS DESIRED THAT YOU FURNISH FULL DETAILS CONCERNING  
MANNER OF INSTALLATION WHICH WOULD PROVIDE FULL SECURITY.

ENCLOSURE

cc LOS ANGELES - AIR MAIL

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BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL, MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION CONCERNING CRIME

SURVEY. REBUTEL FIFTEENTH INSTANT. DISCREET CHECK OF RECORD

REGISTRATIONS, CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA SO REVEALED IN COMPLETE AND DATE

REGISTRATIONS OF FIVE GUNS AT FLAMINGO HOTEL, LAS VEGAS, NAME AND

DESCRIPTION OF PERSON OWNER OF GUNS NOT GIVEN. REGISTRATION OF GUNS

PROBABLY MADE [REDACTED] ON BASIS OF VAGUE

INFORMATION FURNISHED BY SIEGEL. [REDACTED] STATED [REDACTED]

AND SIEGEL ARE FRIENDLY AND SIEGEL WAS TO FURNISH [REDACTED] MAKE AND

SERIAL NUMBERS OF GUNS FOR REGISTRATION PURPOSES. NO PENALTY PRO-

VIDED IN CLARK COUNTY ORDINANCE FOR FAILURE TO REGISTER GUNS. GUNS

REGISTERED BY FLAMINGO HOTEL WERE WINCHESTER THIRTY CALIBER RIFLE,

"W.C.R." SERIAL TWO SEVEN THREE SEVEN FIVE [REDACTED] A, "THIRTY DASH

NAUGHT SIX RIFLE, SERIAL ONE EIGHT ONE EIGHT NAUGHT", PROBABLY

SPRINGFIELD MAKE, NEW EMPIRE SHOTGUN, FOUR HUNDRED AND TEN GAUGE

SERIAL NAUGHT SIX FIVE TWO FOUR. [REDACTED] STATED THIS G

IS DOUBLE BARRELLED SHOTGUN. OTHER GUNS REGISTERED WERE SMITH AND

WESSON THIRTYEIGHT CALIBER "SPECIAL" REVOLVER WITH ONE INCH BARREL,

SERIAL FOUR NAUGHT THREE THREE NINE [REDACTED] AND SMITH AND [REDACTED] WESSON

THIRTYEIGHT CALIBER, MODEL NOT GIVEN [REDACTED] SIX INCH BARREL REVOLVER,

SERIAL EIGHT TWO NAUGHT TWO FOUR FOUR. BOSTON CONTACT SMITH AND WESS

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COMPANY, SPRINGFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS, AND ATTEMPT TO TRACE SMITH  
AND WESSON THIRTYEIGHT CALIBER "SPECIAL" ONE INCH BARREL REVOLVER,  
SERIAL FOUR NAUGHT THREE THREE NINE EIGHT, AND SMITH AND WESSON  
THIRTYEIGHT CALIBER, SIX INCH BARREL, SERIAL EIGHT TWO NAUGHT TWO  
FOUR FOUR. BOSTON ALSO ENDEAVOR TO TRACE SPRINGFIELD RIFLE THROUGH  
SPRINGFIELD ARSNAL. NEW HAVEN CONTACT NEW EMPIRE COMPANY AND ATTEMPT  
TO TRACE NEW EMPIRE FOUR HUNDRED AND TEN GAUGE DOUBLE BARRELLED SHOT-  
GUN, SERIAL NAUGHT SIX FIVE TWO FOUR. NEW HAVEN TELETYPE JANUARY  
SIXTH LAST ADVISED IMPOSSIBLE TO TRACE WINCHESTER THIRTY CALIBER  
RIFLE, SERIAL TWO SEVEN THREE SEVEN FIVE A.

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LOS ANGELES

RE BENJAMIN QUOTE RUC UNQUOTE SINGEL, MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION CONCERNING, GENERAL CRIME SURVEY. RE LA TEL [REDACTED] DISCONTINUE TECHNICAL SURVEILLANCES PRESENTLY IN OPERATION THIS CASE. AGENTS ASSIGNED FROM LA DIVISION TO RETURN THEIR HEADQUARTERS IMMEDIATELY. ADVISE TIME AND DATE OF DISCONTINUANCES.

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Transmit the following message to: SAC, SALT LAKE CITY

URGENT 1005 PM WEDNESDAY JANUARY 14, 1947. RE: INFO COMMUNIST, CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA. BUREAU INQUIRY RE: INFO LAST ADVISING CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA, ORDINANCE REQUIRED ALL FIREARMS IN COUNTY BE REGISTERED WITH SHERIFFS OFFICE BY JANUARY ONE. ADVISE IMMEDIATELY IF REGISTRATION OF GUNS IN SIEGEL'S POSSESSION AT FLAMINGO HOTEL HAS BEEN COMPLETED AND WHAT STEPS TAKEN BY YOUR OFFICE TO TRACE SOURCE OF GUNS.

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It was noted that an individual utilizing the same alias, unknown to the Bureau, made an identical previously made one hour installation on July 22, 1944. The Bureau records indicate, however, that the installation was previously made at the same location, whose lines were connected to Niagara.

- The telephone directory lists the telephone for the Las Vegas Surf Club at 23 Fremont Street as 2441, and number 2442 is listed for the Las Vegas Club at the same address.

It was requested to advise the Bureau the significance of telephone call to New York in your teletype of November 24, 1946. In connection with the above, you are also requested to advise of the connection the call has with the Los Vegas numbers aforementioned.

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BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL, WAS, MISC., INFO CONCERNING, CRIME SURVEY.  
RE SLC TEL JAN. TWELVE. SINCE [REDACTED] IS REPLACING SIEGEL  
AT LAS VEGAS AND SIEGEL UNDOUBTEDLY WILL BE TELEPHONING HIM DAILY,  
I BELIEVE IT IS ADVISABLE THAT TECHNICAL SURVEILLANCE BE CON-  
TINUED AND AGENTS [REDACTED] WILL NOT RETURN TO LA AT  
THIS TIME UNLESS BUREAU INSTRUCTS.  
HOOD

PLS NOTE THAT SALT LAKE CITY WILL BE ADVISED 15 JAN 16 1947

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Director, FBI

BENJAMIN "Bugs" SIEGEL

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Reference is made to your letter of December 11, 1946, requesting copies of [redacted]

There is enclosed [redacted]

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The Honorable,  
The Secretary of the Treasury,  
Washington, D. C.

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My dear Mr. Secretary:

In connection with an official investigation being conducted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, I would appreciate it if you would furnish me with uncertified photostatic copies of the income tax returns of [redacted] Chicago, Illinois, for the years 1942 to 1945, inclusive.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) Tom C. Clark

Attorney General.

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BENJAMIN QUOTE BUGS UNQUOTE SIEGEL. MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION CONCERN-  
ING, CRIME SURVEY. REBUTEL *(c)* REQUESTING INFORMATION ON THE  
PLAN FOR FULL SECURITY PROPOSED TECHNICAL SURVEILLANCE ON FLAMINGO  
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BENJAMIN QUOTE BUGS UNQUOTE SIEGEL. MISC. INFO CONCERNING CRIME SURVEY. SIEGEL ADVISED

SIEGEL CONTACTED [REDACTED] IN LOS ANGELES AND [REDACTED] STATED SIEGEL HAS CHANGED PLANS AND WILL NOT GO TO NEW YORK. SIEGEL ASKED [REDACTED] TO RESERVE BUNGALOW FOR SIEGEL AND VIRGINIA HILL AT LA QUINTA CALIFORNIA OR AT COLONIAL OR ONE PALMS HOTELS AT PALMS SPRING CALIFORNIA FOR TEN DAYS BEGINNING [REDACTED] HILL AGREED TO SPEND TEN DAYS WITH SIEGEL RESTING AT LA QUINTA OR PALM SPRINGS RATHER THAN GOING TO MEXICO CITY. SIEGEL WILL DEPART LAS VEGAS SEVEN THIRTY FIVE PM [REDACTED] VIA WESTERN AIR LINES, FLIGHT FOUR FIFTEEN, ARRIVING LOS ANGELES EIGHT FIFTY PM SAME DATE. SIEGEL INSTRUCTED [REDACTED] TO MEET SIEGEL AND HILL AT LOS ANGELES AIRPORT. SIEGEL ALSO INSTRUCTED [REDACTED] TO PREPARE TO COME TO LAS VEGAS [REDACTED] TO TAKE CARE OF FLAMINGO HOTEL AND OCCUPY SIEGEL'S ROOM AT LAST FRONTIER HOTEL DURING SIEGEL'S ABSENCE. FLAMINGO HOTEL IS IN TEMPORARY FINANCIAL DIFFICULTIES.

SEND MONEY TO LAS VEGAS [REDACTED] LOS ANGELES REFER URGENT [REDACTED] STATING UNLESS BUREAU ADVISES TO CONTRARY SAS [REDACTED] WILL RETURN LOS ANGELES WHEN SIEGEL LEAVES LAS VEGAS. SOTEL IF PLAN STILL DESIRED OR IF COVERAGE OF [REDACTED] ABLE AS TECHNICAL SURVEILLANCE WILL HAVE TO BE DISCONTINUED AND EQUIPMENT REMOVED FROM PLANT DUE TO LACK OF PERSONNEL TO OPERATE PLANT IF SAS [REDACTED] RETURN TO LOS ANGELES. NEWMAN

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Rosen

DATE: January 14, 1947

FROM : [REDACTED] b7c

SUBJECT: BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL  
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING  
CRIME SURVEY

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DATE 11-5-85 BY SP-7 [REDACTED]

## PURPOSE

To advise you that investigation conducted from December 11, 1946, to date in the entitled case has failed to disclose evidence of violations of Federal laws within the Bureau's primary investigative jurisdiction.

## BACKGROUND

Siegel was the subject of an intensive investigation handled by a special squad of approximately ten agents during the period from July 23d to October 18, 1946. In order to closely follow the activities of Siegel, five technical surveillances were installed at Los Angeles, California, and two at Las Vegas, Nevada, but the investigation failed to reflect that Siegel was engaged in violations within the Bureau's jurisdiction.

Investigation conducted since December 11, 1946, has disclosed that Siegel's activities have been confined principally to his interests in the Flamingo Hotel, Las Vegas, Nevada, and the Trans American News, a racing news service. In connection with the above enterprises, Siegel has made various trips between Las Vegas, Nevada, and Los Angeles, California.

The Flamingo Hotel and Casino opened on December 26, 1946, and is reportedly in financial difficulties.

[REDACTED] Siegel and his mistress, Virginia Hill, are presently planning a ten-day vacation at a California resort beginning on January 15, 1947, and [REDACTED] will take over Siegel's quarters at the Last Frontier Hotel, Las Vegas, during this period and will be in charge of the Flamingo Hotel. [REDACTED]

Information has been developed that the Trans American News has been using a short-wave radio to relay racing information from the Santa Anita Race-track in California indicating a possible violation of the Federal Communication Commission regulations, and that Trans American is attempting to oust the Continental Press, the competitive racing news service, in various western states including Oregon, California, and Nevada.

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Memo to Mr. Rosen

Intensive investigation, including the use of informants, physical technical and microphone surveillances [REDACTED] b6  
[REDACTED] has failed to disclose violations by him within the Bureau's jurisdiction. Information has been developed indicating Siegel associates with individuals suspected of handling narcotics and smuggling, but no evidence has been established concerning Siegel's participation in these alleged violations.

With respect to Siegel's mistress, Virginia Hill, investigation has not disclosed that the source of her income is through the violation of laws within the Bureau's jurisdiction. [REDACTED] b7c

[REDACTED] Hill previously contemplated a trip to Mexico City in January, 1947, but apparently is cancelling this trip in order to vacation with Siegel at a California resort. She has recently purchased a large home at Miami Beach, Florida, and has indicated she may spend part of the winter in Florida.

With respect to the associates of Siegel and Hill, investigation has not disclosed violations under the Bureau's jurisdiction. [REDACTED] b7c

[REDACTED] are all associated with Siegel in the Trans American News and it has been ascertained that [REDACTED]

In addition to the Agent personnel assigned to this investigation, technical surveillances are being maintained at the Las Vegas Club and the Last Frontier Hotel at Las Vegas, Nevada. The Salt Lake City Field Division has now requested authority to discontinue the technical surveillance at the Las Vegas Club and to install such a surveillance at the Flamingo Hotel. 11

#### RECOMMENDATION

The results of this investigation to date do not appear to warrant the continued use of the Agent personnel necessary to conduct this investigation and to maintain the technical surveillances. Inasmuch as no specific information has been developed indicating violations within the Bureau's jurisdiction, it is recommended that consideration be given to discontinuing further investigation in this matter.

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FROM : MR. EDW. A. TAMMSUBJECT: BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL  
MISCELLANEOUS - INFORMATION CONCERNING  
CRIME SURVEY

I reluctantly concur in the attached recommendation that the Bureau at this time discontinue all active investigation of "Bugs" Siegel, including the maintenance of technical and physical surveillances. Since early July we have expended some 1,000 agent days of investigative effort in coverage of Siegel and his activities without developing any scintilla of evidence of any activities in violation of Federal statutes within the Bureau's jurisdiction. If there was even color of a Bureau violation, I should be inclined to hang on and make a vigorous effort to establish case, but actually, after 6 months of almost constant coverage, we still have nothing. I believe, consequently, we should discontinue all coverage at this time and make a spot check of Siegel's activities about the middle of July; in other words, after a lapse of about 6 months.

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AT [redacted]

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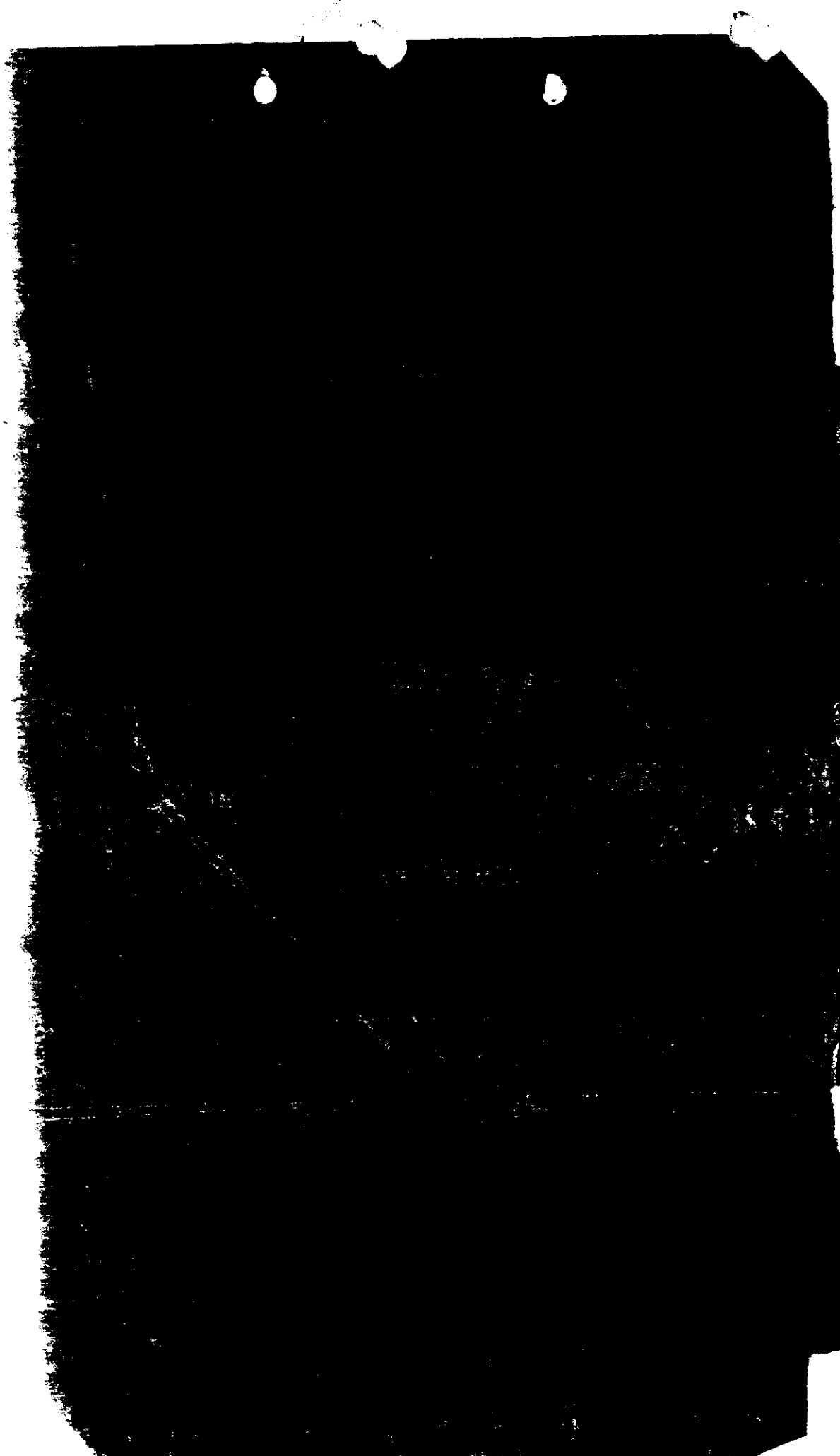
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January 8, 1947

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Director, FBI

Re: <sup>①</sup> BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL, with aliases  
MISCELLANEOUS; INFORMATION CONCERNING -  
CRIME SURVEY

Dear Sir:

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As the Bureau is aware the trial [REDACTED] for the murder of  
Highway Patrolman STEVE BODELL is now under way in Los Angeles and Special  
Agent [REDACTED] is here [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

A check was made at [REDACTED] as to who was in Suite 712  
and it was learned that [REDACTED] of the FBI, New York City,  
[REDACTED] had registered into these  
rooms on January 5, 1947.

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Director

January 8, 1947

Re: BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL, with aliases

[REDACTED]

As the Bureau is aware from Crime Survey Reports from this office, [REDACTED] associates with the hoodlum element here [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] is a Cleveland hoodlum who has been in Los Angeles approximately ten days and has had extensive dealings [REDACTED] since his arrival.

[REDACTED]

I have talked to Agent [REDACTED] about [REDACTED]. He tells me that his association with them is caused by his having worked the [REDACTED] case with them and that his being called out here on subpoena with them. However, he has known them in New York for some time and has worked primarily with [REDACTED]

At the time [REDACTED] was apprehended in New York and Los Angeles officials came East [REDACTED] took them out to see the sights and [REDACTED] went along one evening to Rinty Moore's where [REDACTED] introduced him to one [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] said he was in New York for the CORN-DOGS fight. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] stated that [REDACTED] are assigned to the race tracks in New York. They are members of the main office squad. [REDACTED] he said that he knows a lot of the hoodlum element and uses them for his information. Agent [REDACTED] said, however, that he has taken this with a grain

of salt.

Director

January 8, 1947

Re: BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGAL, with aliases

Agent [redacted] was asked if he has met any of [redacted] friends since they arrived and he said that he was introduced by them to one [redacted] who has been up in their rooms apparently in connection with the case. [redacted] is related to the Brooklyn family of the same name. Otherwise Agent [redacted] has not been made acquainted with any of their friends although knows that [redacted] particularly has made many telephone calls since they arrived. Agent [redacted] stated that he has not gone out with these men on any of their parties or engagements.

It was suggested to him that he refrain from associating with them socially while he is here as it appears that some members of the hoodlum element in Los Angeles are close [redacted] might get himself involved in an embarrassing situation if he associates with them socially. It was also suggested to Agent [redacted] that he not return to New York with these men. He said he did not intend to as they expected to go by way of San Francisco and he expected to go directly back.

Agent [redacted] pointed out that he felt that [redacted]

It was suggested to Agent [redacted] that should any discussion come up with respect to the hoodlum element in Los Angeles that he take particular note of what is said and give this office the information which he is able to glean from conversations.

Agent [redacted] said that he is now placed in an embarrassing position as his room adjoins that occupied [redacted] It was suggested that he not do anything to indicate that he is giving them a "cold shoulder," but that he be very circumspect in his associations with them.

Since the preparation of the above information, it has been learned that [redacted]

Very truly yours,

62-2837  
AIR MAIL

cc: New York

R. B. HOOD  
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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JANUARY 20, 1947

TO: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

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SINGEL ADVISED [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] SALT LAKE CITY OFFICE WILL MAINTAIN CLOSE  
CONTACT WITH SLC TWO FIVE SEVEN FOR THE PURPOSE OF DETERMINING SINGEL'S  
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is owned and controlled by Siegel and his associates. The Salt Lake City Division has advised that full security could be assured [REDACTED] b7D

The Los Angeles Office has now requested that the technicals at Las Vegas, Nevada, be continued to cover the activities of [REDACTED] who is replacing [REDACTED] at Las Vegas as Siegel, undoubtedly, will be telephoning [REDACTED] daily. b7C

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the technicals in operation at Las Vegas be discontinued in view of the unproductivity and that no authority be granted to install a technical at the Flamingo Hotel. A review of the information submitted by the Salt Lake City Division reflects that [REDACTED] therefore, it is believed that the technicals can be eliminated. b7C b7D

ACTION TO BE TAKEN

It is recommended that the attached teletype to the Salt Lake City and Los Angeles Offices be dispatched.

Attachment

# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : *R* MR. ROSEN *b2*

DATE: 1/16/47

FROM : [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL  
MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION CONCERNING  
GENERAL CRIME SURVEY

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## PURPOSE

To advise that the Los Angeles Office has requested the continuance of the technical surveillances in operation at Las Vegas, Nevada, to cover the activities of [REDACTED] who is replacing Siegel during his absence. The Salt Lake City Office had previously requested the discontinuance of the technical surveillance at the Turf Club in Las Vegas, Nevada, and the Bureau authorized this discontinuance in view of the unproductivity of the informants. *b2*

## BACKGROUND

On December 1, 1946, a technical and microphone surveillance was installed at the Last Frontier Hotel, Las Vegas, Nevada, covering the suite occupied by Siegel and Virginia Hill. Subsequently, the Los Angeles and Salt Lake City Divisions strongly recommended that a telephone surveillance be authorized on the Las Vegas Club in order to fully cover the activities of Siegel while in Las Vegas. In view of the strong recommendations of SACs Hood and Newman, authority was granted on December 11, 1946, for a technical surveillance covering long distance lines 1,2,3 and 4 at the Las Vegas Club, Las Vegas, Nevada. *G.I.R-5*

The technical surveillances at Las Vegas covering the Las Vegas Club and the suite at the Last Frontier Hotel were operated [REDACTED] Agents of the Los Angeles Office were assigned to handle the operations of these technicals and at the present time are handling the technical surveillances. *b2E*

Recently information has been received that Siegel intends to depart from Las Vegas. His itinerary is indefinite at this time. He had previously advised [REDACTED] that he intended to go to New York around January 11, 1947, where he intended to remain for approximately two weeks and then go to Miami, Florida. On January 9, 1947, the Salt Lake City Field Division advised that the technical surveillance on the Las Vegas Turf Club was unproductive and Bureau authority was requested to discontinue this surveillance. At the same time, the Salt Lake City Division requested authority to place a technical surveillance on two long distance lines at the Flamingo Hotel, which was opened on the night of December 26, 1946. On January 10, 1947, the Bureau authorized the discontinuance of the technical surveillance at the Las Vegas Club and requested the Salt Lake City Office to furnish full details concerning the manner of installation at the Flamingo Hotel which would provide full security inasmuch as the Flamingo Hotel *b2*  
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BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL, MISC. INFO, CONCERNING, CRIME SURVEY

DEVELOPMENTS FOR WEEK ENDING JANUARY SEVENTEENTH. SIEGEL AND VIRGINIA

HILL DEPARTED LAS VEGAS BY WESTERN AIRLINES TWELFTH INSTANT FOR LOS

ANGELES. SIEGEL POSTPONED CONTEMPLATED TRIP TO NEW YORK AND HILL'S

TRIP TO MEXICO CITY. [REDACTED] OBTAINED RESERVATIONS FOR SIEGEL

AT COLONIAL HOUSE, PALM SPRINGS, CALIFORNIA BEGINNING FIFTEENTH

INSTANT BUT SIEGEL INDICATED HE WANTED BUNGALOW NEAR LAQUINTA OR

PALM SPRINGS, CALIFORNIA INSTEAD. [REDACTED] STATED SIXTEENTH INSTANT

THAT SIEGEL PRESENTLY STAYING AT UNDESIGNATED PLACE. TELEPHONE PALM

SPRINGS FIVE THREE EIGHT ONE. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ARRIVED LAS VEGAS TWENTYFIFTH INSTANT

INSTANT [REDACTED] LOOKING AFTER FLAMINGO HOTEL DURING SIEGEL'S ABSENCE.

[REDACTED] TOLD [REDACTED] PLAN TO RETURN

TO LOS ANGELES TWENTYSIXTH INSTANT BUT SIEGEL MAY COMPEL [REDACTED]

REMAIN LONGER IN LAS VEGAS. NOT KNOWN IF [REDACTED] ARMED BUT POSSIBILITY

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EXISTS [REDACTED] MAY HAVE [REDACTED] THIS TRIP [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] FLAMINGO HOTEL IN FINANCIAL DIFFICULTIES, CONTINUES

TO LOSE MONEY AND HAS LOST MOST OF ORIGINAL CASINO BANK ROLL. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] SIEGEL REDUCING EMPLOYEES SALARIES AND HAVE ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS IN BILLS FOR FOOD, LIQUOR, ETC. WHICH MUST BE PAID IMMEDIATELY. SIEGEL BELIEVES DEL E. WEBB CONSTRUCTION COMPANY MAY CEASE CONSTRUCTION ON HOTEL IF SIEGEL DOES NOT RAISE FUNDS SOON. SIEGEL HAS TAKEN ALL AVAILABLE CASH FROM EL DORADO CLUB AND RACE HORSE BOOKS IN LAS VEGAS TO PUT INTO FLAMINGO CASINO TO MEET EXPENSES. EMPLOYEES DISSATISFIED. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] MAKE AND SERIAL NUMBERS OF RIFLES. SHOT GUN AND REVOLVERS REGISTERED WITH CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA SO BY FLAMINGO HOTEL OBTAINED AND EFFORTS BEING MADE TO TRACE GUNS. BUREAU AND MIAMI WILL BE ADVISED OF SIEGELS DEPARTURE DATE PLANS.

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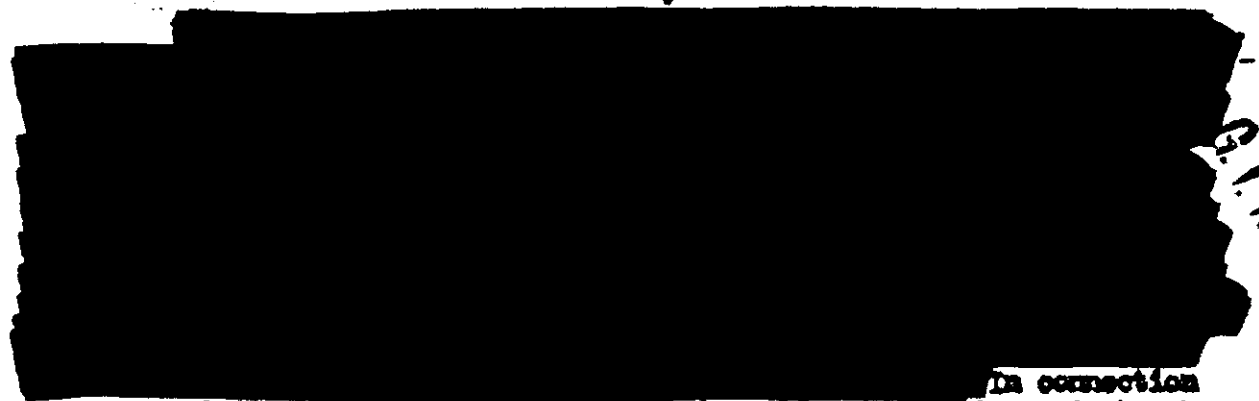
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From: J. Edgar Hoover - Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: CHARLES "LUCKY" LUCIANO, with aliases  
MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION

DECLASSIFIED BY SP-2 mac/ore  
ON 10-3-85



In connection with Siegel it should be mentioned that through past experience it has been shown that it is difficult to maintain a physical surveillance on Siegel. (R)4

For your information, "Bugs" Siegel has been identified with the underworld for a number of years. He originally came into prominence in the underworld during the prohibition days in New York City when he associated himself with Meyer Lansky and their gang skyrocketed in underworld circles as they became known as the "Bugs and Meyer mob." Before the 18th Amendment was repealed, Siegel and Lansky had acquired and controlled the Capital Distilleries, the King's Ransom Distilling Company, White Horse Scotch Distilling Company and several other whiskey distilleries and distributorships. After the repeal of prohibition, Siegel and Lansky began to decline in power and shortly thereafter disposed of their interests in the above mentioned companies. Thereafter, the gang began to break up and Siegel moved to California where he is presently operating. Since residing in Los Angeles, Siegel has been operating several bootlegging establishments and gambling joints. Recently, he and his associates constructed the Flamingo Hotel, which is located on the outskirts of Las Vegas, Nevada, and which is operated as a hotel and gambling club.

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For your further information, Charles "Lucky" Luciano was born in Italy, November 11, 1897. He came to the United States in 1907 with his parents. At the early age of fourteen years, he was sent to the Brooklyn Transit School and in 1916 he served time for possessing narcotics. He was subsequently convicted in New York State Court on 62 out of 90 counts during June of 1936 on a charge of compulsory prostitution. Luciano was then committed to Dannemora Prison, Clinton, New York, during July of 1936. On February 8, 1943, Luciano made application for a suspension of the two 15 year sentences before Judge J. McCook in New York City. Judge McCook reportedly stated that Luciano had been useful in the war efforts of this country. It was the claim of Attorney George Wolf, counsel for Luciano, that both Army and Navy personnel had sought Luciano's assistance. Accordingly, Governor Thomas E. Dewey of New York paroled Luciano on January 3, 1946, on the express condition that Luciano be deported. He was thereupon released to Immigration and Naturalization custody on February 2, 1946, and transported to Ellis Island, New York City. Luciano departed from the United States for Italy aboard the S.S. Laura Keane on February 10, 1946. Since Luciano's deportation to Italy numerous allegations have been received that he has left Italy and gone to other countries.

For your assistance, I am enclosing photographs of Luciano and Siegel, together with their FBI identification records. It is desired that this matter be handled immediately and the Bureau be advised by radiogram of the results of your inquiries.

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**ROUTINE**

**BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL, MISC. INFO. CONCERNING, CRIME SURVEY**

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MEETING

ATTENDED BY SIEGEL.

[REDACTED] SIEGEL BECAME VIOLENTLY  
 [REDACTED] THREATENED TO KILL [REDACTED] IMMEDIATELY. SIEGEL STATED HE  
 WOULD POSITIVELY [REDACTED] EVEN IF SIEGEL LOST HIS OWN LIFE SIMUL-  
 TANEOUSLY. [REDACTED]

SIEGEL DISCLOSED THAT NEVADA  
 PROJECT CORPORATION, OWNER OF FLAMINGO HOTEL, WOULD GO THROUGH BANKRUPTCY  
 NEXT WEEK. HE CLAIMED THAT CLARK MUST PAY DEBT. CONSTRUCTION  
 COMPANY ONE MILLION FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS TODAY OR ALL CONSTRUCTION  
 WORK ON FLAMINGO HOTEL WILL STOP IMMEDIATELY

SIEGEL AND

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STATED THAT [REDACTED] IS FACED WITH BANKRUPTCY BY MARCH FIRST NEXT AND IS PRESSING NEVADA PROJECT CORPORATION FOR ALL MONEY PRESENTLY DUE UNDER CONTRACT. [REDACTED] HAS AGREED TO CANCEL TOTAL PROFIT OF SIX HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS ON FLAMINGO HOTEL CONSTRUCTION JOB IF NEVADA PROJECT CORPORATION WILL PAY ACTUAL CONSTRUCTION COSTS TO DATE. SIEGEL ATTEMPTING TO RAISE ONE MILLION SEVEN HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS IMMEDIATELY THROUGH TELEPHONE CONTACTS IN NEW YORK CITY, CLEVELAND, CHICAGO AND ST.

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FEELINGS PRESNENTLY EXISTING BETWEEN SIEGEL

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TITLE <b>BENJAMIN "BUGSY" SIEGEL, was.</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>MISCELLANEOUS; INFORMATION CONCERNING-CRIME SURVEY, L.A.F.D.</b>

## SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

[REDACTED] RAGNA [REDACTED] BUGSY SIEGEL and [REDACTED] allied in masquerading local book makers to take over Trans-American News Service. Indications exist that [REDACTED] may have fingered burglary of wealthy Los Angeles resident's apartment [REDACTED] SIEGEL's henchman in November last [REDACTED] in possession of jewelry answering description of loot. SIEGEL and HILL maintaining penthouse at Chateau Marmont, Los Angeles; spending most of their time in Las Vegas except for occasional visits to Los Angeles.

Indications point to fact that SIEGEL, HILL, [REDACTED] may be actively engaged in narcotics racket. [REDACTED] in recent discussions with [REDACTED] discussed latter's shipment of "2 cans of medicine". SIEGEL allegedly boss of this type of enterprise on the Pacific coast.

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JACK DRAGNA

CONFIDENTIAL The following information concerning JACK DRAGNA was furnished to this office by [REDACTED] That portion of this report entitled "Background from Immigration and Naturalization Service" was naturally obtained from a local office of the Immigration and Naturalization Service and was not secured as a result of the efforts of [REDACTED] Consequently, unless otherwise stated all information in this particular section of the report is to be attributed to the one informant. b2 b7c

ACTIVITIES IN CONNECTION WITH THE TRANS-AMERICAN NEWS SERVICE

[REDACTED] has been extremely active in helping DRAGNA get the new wire service started. [REDACTED] has been working from a list of local book makers contacting these persons either by telephone or in person and putting the proposition to them that they should switch their news service to the new organization. [REDACTED] has had many contacts with DRAGNA concerning the local book makers as to what each says and his reasons for not taking the service and it is apparently recognized that [REDACTED] a local book maker, is the "bell cow" as far as people in that type of work are concerned and DRAGNA and [REDACTED] have been most anxious to get [REDACTED] signed up. On one occasion [REDACTED] told DRAGNA that he had contacted everyone on his list and subsequently he and DRAGNA had a meeting at the former's apartment to discuss other individuals than those on the original listing given [REDACTED] b7c

JACK has been in contact with [REDACTED] in Chicago and the latter has sent a crew out to Los Angeles to look over the situation at the Santa Anita race track and to furnish track information so that the new syndicate will not be hampered in its furnishing all race results. The informant stated that DRAGNA and [REDACTED] have been considerably embarrassed due to the fact they have been late on some races and have had to resort to "stealing" the news from the RAGAN news. Also an additional handicap has been the lack of telephones and DRAGNA has been somewhat hampered in obtaining instruments and facilities because of the vigilance of the telephone company. Indications exist that the telephone company is vigilantly watching the Trans-American News and if it learns that subterfuge has been used in obtaining instruments they will be removed. b7c

[REDACTED] has contacted [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] among others. b7c

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has frequently spoken of the service as "our" and "my" service and both men have indicated that certain accounts which were hard to win over will be contacted by BENJAMIN "BUSY" SIEGEL.

local mobster and hoodlum, has entered the picture and has attended meetings at [redacted] apartment with the latter and JACK DRAGNA and [redacted] has contacted certain book makers to induce them to take the news service. (It is known that [redacted] some months ago offered his services to DRAGNA in this regard and was turned down. The supposition is to be made that [redacted] cooperation was gained either by orders from persons in the syndicate or from the fact that DRAGNA has apparently been experiencing some difficulty in obtaining accounts.)

On October 26, 1946, the informant reported that DRAGNA told some unknown individual that he was of the opinion that [redacted] could swing certain accounts and DRAGNA mentioned that he has been in touch with [redacted] in New York. On other occasions DRAGNA has referred to [redacted] which is undoubtedly [redacted]

On November 16 [redacted] and JACK, in discussing the difficulties of getting the service started, stated that they were of the opinion that [redacted] was an individual who could "convince" certain book makers of the wisdom of taking the new service and [redacted] stated that he would get SIEGEL's O.K. to attempt to line up [redacted]

In connection with the track crew out here from Chicago to survey the Santa Anita situation and to get set-up for furnishing information, [redacted] is presently in Los Angeles staying at the Hollywood Drake Hotel. These reservations were made for him by [redacted]

[redacted] mentioned above, is an important figure so far as book makers go whose support can apparently swing other accounts and [redacted] and DRAGNA on November 4th last were discussing how best to get to [redacted] stated that he had made a telephone call to "our friend" who said words to the effect that they should not worry that they would get the [redacted] business. (It is known that [redacted] frequently contacts SIEGEL in connection with accounts they are desirous of getting.)

DRAGNA on different occasions has mentioned "putting the screws" on certain persons and [redacted] has cautioned DRAGNA to use tact in some of these approaches.

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CONTACTS OF DRAGON SINCE LAST REPORT

On November 13th last informant stated that JACK DRAGON had a long distance conversation with a person believed to be [redacted] of Chicago and the informant learned that an individual named [redacted] (phonetic) was connected with the Commerce Commission and his wife were in Los Angeles. [redacted] wanted DRAGON to have [redacted] to show [redacted] and his wife around Los Angeles. Further conversation was indulged in to the effect that [redacted] was a person who had gotten out of line in past years but was all right now. As a matter of fact the informant reported the exact conversation to be [redacted] was one of the boys back there and got out of line for a while but is O.K. now. The Bureau was advised by letter of this conversation because it was felt that in the event [redacted] were attached to a Federal Commerce Commission such information would be of value.

The informant also reported that DRAGON had contacted [redacted] an investigator in the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office. DRAGON asked [redacted] if he knew [redacted] and the latter replied in the affirmative, saying that his full name was [redacted]

[redacted] DRAGON made arrangements with [redacted] on November 14th last to get together to talk the matter over. According to the informant DRAGON has made reference to the fact that he has "things fixed" in the Sheriff's Office. (From the above it is apparent that JACK DRAGON, as previously indicated, is attempting to get to the Sheriff's Office in an effort to fix book making and is doing so through his contact in the District Attorney's Office.)

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On November 14th the informant stated that [redacted] (phonetic) talked to [redacted] and was told that JACK had made [redacted]

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reservations at the Biltmore in [redacted] name. Later [redacted] told JACK that [redacted] had called and was now at the Biltmore.

On November 19, 1946, in a conversation between [redacted] and JACK DRAGNA, DRAGNA requested [redacted] to ask BENJAMIN "BUGSY" SIEGEL if he had gotten to one [redacted] local Los Angeles politician and tango game operator, in an effort to in turn influence [redacted] local "juice man" for the District Attorney's Office in Los Angeles County. In this discussion DRAGNA stated that only one word from BEN would be necessary and that BEN could do more by that word than any other individual. The conversation indicated that [redacted]



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was on "juice" only to a certain extent for the other wire service and they were desirous of making [redacted] their man in an effort to boost the Trans-American Service instead of knocking it. DRAGNA reportedly mentioned that only one word from BEN was necessary and that [redacted] had a lot of respect for BEN "you know what I mean". Further conversation between them reflected that they were whether [redacted] was paying off anyone in the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office. DRAGNA advised that [redacted] is related to one [redacted] who has figured in local Los Angeles politics and police corruption operating pin ball machines in Los Angeles and tango game parlors in the Los Angeles Beach area. In the conversation DRAGNA indicated that [redacted] another local Los Angeles District Attorney "juice" man had been furnishing them information and evidently is co-operative with them.

[redacted] advised JACK DRAGNA that he thought that [redacted] local Los Angeles jail bondsman and a friend of book makers and underworld characters including [redacted] and BENJAMIN "BUGSY" SIEGEL could possibly accomplish the same thing that SIEGEL could in contacting [redacted] however, DRAGNA stated that he thought SIEGEL could accomplish their purpose in just "one minute of talking". DRAGNA further advised that he was attempting to contact [redacted] and stop any appointment that [redacted] was attempting to make for DRAGNA to have an interview with [redacted] because he felt that [redacted] could be reached better through SIEGEL contacting [redacted]

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As a result of information furnished by [redacted] a meeting between JACK and LOU DRAGNA in front of [redacted] Jewelry Store on Vine Street in Hollywood, was covered by Special Agents [redacted] on November 29th. DRAGNA was observed to meet a woman of approximately 30 years of age accompanied by an unknown male individual who was determined to be 35

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years of age, 5' 9", 170 lbs, dark hair and eyes, Jewish descent, and these three persons engaged in conversation in front of [redacted] store. DRAGNA was seen to enter an automobile which was determined to be registered to one [redacted]. This was a 1941 Plymouth coupe and it is believed DRAGNA was driving this car inasmuch as his own automobile had been involved in an accident. [redacted]

Along these same lines the informant reported on November 22nd that JACK was told "to come to [redacted] I want to talk to you". [redacted]

On October 29th an unknown individual contacted DRAGNA according to the informant and asked that JACK see him as soon as possible. DRAGNA at the time was ill in bed with a stomach ailment but he told the informant that he would leave immediately to contact this person who lived at 907 Bellevue, Glendale. [redacted]

On October 29th [redacted] contacted DRAGNA and offered the latter his services in any way that they could be utilized. [redacted] told JACK that he had advised [redacted] to go with the new service and went on to say that [redacted] is no good and that the latter has never done anything but harm to [redacted] while JACK and his associates have never done anything but good. [redacted] went on to say that he was extremely busy at the time getting [redacted] "big edition" out on the streets and [redacted] continued saying that in his opinion [redacted] is as clean a guy as has ever been in and that the coming election for Attorney General looked like a cinch for [redacted]. [redacted] went on to say that he had been talking to [redacted] and [redacted] had stated that RAGAN had died of an overdose of pheno-barbital, a sleeping powder. Both men laughed heartily at this discussion of RAGAN's death and DRAGNA summarized it by saying something to the effect that he didn't know what went on back in Chicago. [redacted] closed the conversation by saying that he would pass the good word about DRAGNA's service which the latter thanked him for.

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[redacted] have been written up in previous crime survey memoranda. The allegation is frequently made that [redacted] operates as a shake-down artist securing funds from public officials in return for not publishing facts or allegations concerning their activities.) b7c

On November 17th the informant reported that an individual named [redacted] residing at the Hollender Hotel in Cleveland, Ohio, called DRAGNA and asked for BEN SIEGEL who was in Las Vegas. [redacted] (who has been mentioned in the CAPCA case.) [redacted] and JACK carried on quite a friendly conversation inquiring about their respective families and a person named [redacted] (phonetic) came on the phone and said hello as did [redacted] and an unknown individual who allegedly owns a fighter named [redacted] b7c

As of possible general interest informant reported on November 27th that JACK and LOU DRAGNA were discussing ways and means of getting [redacted] out of jail in San Diego. b7c

[redacted] The DRAGNA's indicated that moves had been made to get certain persons well disposed towards [redacted] parole but that the [redacted] of San Diego did not favor the idea and some means would have to be found of approaching [redacted]

Certain of DRAGNA's acquaintances were interested in the recent proposition on the California ballot to legalize dog racing and on October 22nd an unknown person in San Diego was telling JACK that certain of the latter's friends were interested in the movement. He named [redacted] b7c

Allegedly the last name has invested \$2500.00. At the same time reference was made to the fact that [redacted] who has been discussed in detail in crime survey memoranda) "had 20 G's in the thing".

Informant has stated on several occasions that DRAGNA frequently dines at Lucey's Restaurant, and apparently DRAGNA frequently cashes checks at this place. JACK one time told an individual named [redacted] at Lucey's that he had a \$1900.00 check and after some discussion they agreed that [redacted] would run it through regular channels. [redacted] seemed very anxious to oblige DRAGNA along these lines. b7c

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[REDACTED] has had many contacts with [REDACTED] concerning plans for the wire service, difficulties in San Diego, trouble in getting telephones, the sending of a crew out to Los Angeles to properly service Santa Anita, and other matters pertaining to furnishing of wire service. Frequently [REDACTED] and JACK have made reference to [REDACTED] has been indicated previously. [REDACTED] of the wire service called JACK on December 5th and asked to meet JACK which appointment the latter was most anxious to keep and in the meantime he was attempting to find [REDACTED] so that he also could meet with DRAGNA and [REDACTED] On November 27th JACK and [REDACTED] were discussing [REDACTED] and the difficulty of the new service and [REDACTED] said that [REDACTED] wants money." DRAGNA was emphatic that there were not sufficient funds to enable him as yet to send money to Chicago. On one occasion JACK was talking to [REDACTED] and in discussing [REDACTED] mentioned above and the possibility of their getting to him [REDACTED] We'll leave it to him".

[REDACTED] allegedly an individual from Chicago, is presently in Los Angeles with a race track crew and has been contacting DRAGNA. In his capacity as an importer DRAGNA has been financially interested in a shipment of bananas coming from some Indian port to Los Angeles. The ship went down allegedly with all hands and although the cargo was insured DRAGNA has been somewhat worried about this accident. Recently DRAGNA was arrested by the Los Angeles Police Department as a "robbery suspect" and posted \$5,000.00 bond. He received considerable publicity in the press in connection with this incident and is presently suing several Los Angeles officers for \$100,000.00 for false arrest. He has told many of his friends that he is of the opinion that the arrest "was a roust" and intends "seeing that they don't do this to anyone else." Informant reported that in a recent conversation with an unknown individual this person asked JACK whether the arrest was because "they were suspicious of the boat" to which JACK replied in the negative, saying that he thought [REDACTED] a "roust".

Informant is of the opinion that [REDACTED] as has been previously indicated has lent his efforts towards lining up book makers through the influence of persons in the syndicate. He is of this opinion because [REDACTED] told JACK "the little guy is coming with us" and that shortly thereafter a meeting was held between DRAGNA and [REDACTED] to "go over the list". It has been stated that DRAGNA at one time turned down [REDACTED] efforts saying that the latter "should take care of his own business and I'll take care of mine". DRAGNA has expressed displeasure at the recent arrest by the Police Department because of what bearing the publicity might have on his immigration status.

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MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION CONCERNING JACK DRAGNA

On November 10th JACK DRAGNA had contact with [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] who were registered at the Biltmore Hotel in Los Angeles.  
These two individuals registered from San Francisco giving the address, 950  
Bay Street. [REDACTED]

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BENJAMIN "BUSY" SIEGEL

BENJAMIN SIEGEL has been in and out of Los Angeles on several occasions since the submission of the last report. He is presently maintaining an apartment at the Chateau Marmont Apartments, located on the Sunset Strip. He and VIRGINIA HILL live here when in Los Angeles as man and wife and they are registered as Mr. and Mrs. HILL. They occupy penthouse 6-D for which they are paying \$24.00 per day rent. Recently [REDACTED] paid the rent on this apartment in SIEGEL's absence. His visits to Los Angeles have been over weekends for two or three days at a time and his activities appear to be mainly along social lines as far as is known. He has been devoting considerable effort and time to the construction of his new hotel, The Flamingo, in Las Vegas, Nevada. Considerable information has been received by teletype from Las Vegas which is not being set out herein because the Salt Lake City office is submitting its own report in the BENJAMIN SIEGEL case. References to SIEGEL will be found in that section of this report under JACK DRAGON and [REDACTED] showing his connection with their activities.

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BIRCHALL'S ALLEGED NARCOTIC RELATIONSHIPS WITH  
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Reference is made to previous Los Angeles reports in instant case dated August 20, September 3, September 20, and October 11, 1946, wherein information is set out that BENJAMIN "BUCKY" SING L allegedly is engaged in narcotic trafficking in the west.

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Further investigation concerning the above individuals mentioned by [REDACTED] reflects the following additional information:

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Salt Lake City teletype dated November 9, 1946, reflected that [REDACTED] unknown individuals were planning to open a gambling house at the corner of Santa Barbara and Fairfax Streets in Los Angeles and had attempted to obtain financial backing of BENJAMIN "BUGSY" SIEGEL. SIEGEL had refused to back them due to the fact that he distrusts [REDACTED] as a result of the recent round-up of narcotic peddlers in the Los Angeles area.

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SIEGEL is well acquainted with [REDACTED] may have been associated with BENJAMIN "BUGSY" SIEGEL, [REDACTED] in Reno, Nevada, in narcotic activities approximately two years ago.

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Salt Lake City teletype dated November 21, 1946, reflected that

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Salt Lake City teletype dated November 20, 1940, in connection with the above information furnished concerning [REDACTED]

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ACTIVITIES OF [REDACTED]

The following investigation reflects the activities of [REDACTED]  
who is closest associate of BEN SUGAR when in Los Angeles. It was ascertained  
from [REDACTED]

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The following reflects the association and contacts of [redacted] with BENJAMIN "BUGSY" SIEGEL.

On November 20, 1946, [redacted] advised that [redacted] had contacted BEN SIEGEL and had told BEN SIEGEL that [redacted] was trying to do a story on him, believed to be SIEGEL. SIEGEL immediately stated to [redacted] should call [redacted] in an effort to determine whether [redacted] knew this guy. At the time [redacted] questioned BEN whether he was to do anything about it to which SIEGEL replied in the negative. This same confidential source stated that [redacted] is in contact with one [redacted]. This informant stated that [redacted] is presently renting a penthouse to BENJAMIN "BUGSY" SIEGEL and is endeavoring to obtain a house for the purpose of SIEGEL purchasing it. It is believed that consideration is given to [redacted] house at the present time.

On November 24, 1946, it was ascertained that BENJAMIN "BUGSY" SIEGEL had arrived in town at which time he had contacted [redacted] local toughie and gangster, and wanted to see [redacted] immediately "to make a deal". On this same date source stated that BENJAMIN "BUGSY" SIEGEL stated to one [redacted] that he had called "The Kid" (believed to be [redacted]) and he will find out Tuesday about the one-half ton truck and the station wagon and that he was getting 200 cases of 90 proof and 50 cases of scotch and 50 cases of gin, etc.

On November 27, 1946, this confidential informant advised that [redacted] in conversation with JACK DRAGMA, head of the Trans-American News Service, advised that when SIEGEL comes to town for a day or two "we keep jumping around".

On November 29, 1946, confidential source said that [redacted] in a conversation with [redacted] said that a "Guy" at the Beverly Wilshire Hotel was involved with the jewels [redacted] and that he is related to [redacted]. When questioned as to the location of [redacted] at the present time [redacted] stated that he was in San Francisco. Further conversation reflected that [redacted] was sent to China, that there was no set-up there at the present time and that he had returned. [redacted] stated that [redacted] had gone to Las Vegas and was in charge of the "juice" and didn't "do any good". Further conversation reflected that [redacted] informed [redacted] that [redacted] was agent for [redacted] and that he gets \$50,000. from [redacted] for favorable publicity and \$50,000. from [redacted] to keep her out of the papers. [redacted] injected that he met [redacted] while he was having dinner with [redacted] BEN SIEGEL and VIRGINIA HILL.

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